

Department of Energy

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WEATHERIZATION PROGRAM NOTICE 06-4 EFFECTIVE DATE: May 18, 2006

SUBJECT: MOLD AWARENESS TRAINING CD

PURPOSE: To issue the Mold Awareness Training CD to all grantees, with copies for their local agencies, for use in the Weatherization Assistance Program.

SCOPE: The provisions of this guidance apply to grantees applying for financial assistance under the Department of Energy (DOE) Weatherization Assistance Program.

BACKGROUND: In Program Year 2005, all States were required to amend their health and safety plans to include a protocol for dealing with mold, which was to include a specific policy when encountering homes with mold growth. If a mold condition is discovered during the initial inspection of the home by the energy auditor that cannot be adequately addressed by the weatherization crew, then the unit should be referred to the appropriate public or non-profit agency for remedial action.

States were required to have a description of a training plan (along with a schedule for completion of training) on mold awareness and client notification procedures for its local agencies. It is important that weatherization crews receive specialized training in the recognition of conditions that promote mold growth they may encounter in their weatherization work and how best to prevent creating mold conditions.

PROCEDURES: To assist in this effort, DOE developed a recommended mold training curriculum. The curriculum contained on the Mold Awareness Training CD included with this Notice can be used by States that do not already have a mold training component approved by DOE.

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Attachment: Mold Awareness Training CD